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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1756

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APPLICATION NO: 10/507,255

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FOR: SALTS OF NATEGLINIDE

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of May 11, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on August 11, 2007. A three-month extension to and including Monday November 12, 2007 is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1020 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: November 12, 2007

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